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Applicant's representative, Todd Snyder, spoke with Examiner Sherr on February 4, 2004, regarding one of the references included on Form/PTO/SB/08A enclosed herewith. Specifically, "Clamping Down on Pirates," by Ken Yamada in Computer Reseller News, n690 p. 3, of the July 1, 1996 issue, was cited by the Examiner in the parent patent application (Serial No. 08/901,776, issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,188,995), but was not provided to Applicant. Due to Applicant's difficulty in procuring the reference at the present

time, Examiner Sherr stated that she would obtain this reference from the Patent Office's parent patent file, if possible.

Applicant requests that these references be included with the references cited in this patent application and that they be printed in any patent that may issue from this patent application.

A check in the amount of \$180.00 is enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2). Copies of the references are enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a).

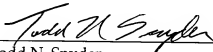
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Respectfully submitted,

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